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I am opposed to forced school regionalization, I favor voluntary regionalization. Our town, Westbrook, already has voluntary regionalization activities with Old Saybrook. Considering the condition of the State related to debt, unfunded pension liability, high taxes, infrastructure in need of serious maintenance, and rigid uncompromising partisan party politics, I don't think the "State" has any justification in forcing towns to do anything seeing as many of Connecticut's towns are in better economic and political condition than the State. The State should be asking for assistance on how to run the State in a logical and positive economic manner.

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